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Another day at the Lido, in perfect weather. Pierre Teitgen delivered a speech of almost two hours duration of an eloquence quite unbelievable. It aroused the four hundred journalists present to a high pitch of enthusiasm and brought them applauding to their feet. Afterwards, there was a discussion period and some opponents of the European Army, which had been the theme of Teitgen's discourse, expressed views contrary to his, but they were ineffective after his torrent of persuasive argument.

I lunched in Venice as Henri Frenay's guest with Alphand and Spinelli.

Tonight Griselda and Hervé Alphand dined with us at the Gritti on what has become almost our stock fare - scampi, veal grilled like a minute steak, fresh green asparagus, and the best of all coffee - espresso - as well as, of course, a few bottles of Soave.

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